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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Eiji IWATA ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 09792909-4938
SERIAL NO.: 09/352,422 GROUP ART UNIT: 2613
DATE FILED: July 12, 1999 EXAMINER: T. T. VO

INVENTION: "ENCODING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF SAME AND
DECODING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF SAME"

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Amendment After Final is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated July 15, 2003. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented herein.



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	Filing Date	July 12, 1999	
	First Named Inventor	Eiji IWATA	
	Group Art Unit	2613	
	Examiner Name	T. T. VO	
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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)☒ Transmitted herewith is Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3)	(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	-	20	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$9.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$18.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	-	4	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$42.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$84.00	\$0
	APPLICATION AMENDED TO CONTAIN ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR.			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$140.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$280.00 ONE TIME	\$0
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		\$0

☐ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated _____ by _____ month(s) for a fee of \$ _____ so that the period for response is extended to _____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321.

☐ The amount of \$ _____ for the Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 is included in the enclosed check.

☐ The amount of \$ _____ for the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b) is included in the enclosed check.

☐ The enclosed credit card payment form to charge the amount of \$ _____ covers the extension fee.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT14. ☒ Customer No. 26263Dated: September 15, 2003
David R. Metzger, (Registration No. 32,919)**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.

Dated: September 15, 2003
Roxanne M. Swartz